

## MATH 6101 - HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT 6

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**Exercise 0.1.** Let  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $\mathcal{K}$  be Hilbert spaces, and suppose  $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{K})$ . Then  $\ker(T) = \text{Range}(T^*)^\perp$ .

**Exercise 0.2.** Let  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $\mathcal{K}$  be Hilbert spaces.

- (1) A bounded linear operator  $P \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$  is an orthogonal projection operator if and only if  $P = P^*$  and  $P^2 = P$ .
- (2) A bounded operator  $U \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{K})$  is isometric if and only if  $U^*U = \text{id}$ .

A linear operator  $V \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{K})$  is a **partial isometry** if  $V^*V$  is an orthogonal projection.

**Exercise 0.3.** Suppose  $V \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{K})$  is a partial isometry.

- (1)  $V^*V$  is the orthogonal projection onto  $\ker(V)^\perp$ .
- (2)  $\text{Range}(V)$  is closed and  $VV^*$  is the orthogonal projection onto  $\text{Range}(V)$ .  
In particular,  $V^*$  is also a partial isometry.

**Exercise 0.4** (Von Neumann's mean ergodic theorem). Let  $U$  be a unitary operator on a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ , set  $\mathcal{K} = \{\xi \in \mathcal{H} \mid U\xi = \xi\}$ , and let  $P$  denote the orthogonal projection onto  $\mathcal{K}$ . If  $S_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} U^k$  then for all  $\xi \in \mathcal{H}$  we have  $S_n\xi \rightarrow P\xi$ . Hint: Use Exercise 0.1 applied to the operator  $1 - U$ .

**Exercise 0.5.** Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space. A **sesquilinear form** on  $\mathcal{H}$  is a map  $B : \mathcal{H} \times \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  so that  $B(\alpha\xi + \eta, \zeta) = \alpha B(\xi, \zeta) + B(\eta, \zeta)$ , and  $B(\xi, \alpha\eta + \zeta) = \bar{\alpha}B(\xi, \eta) + B(\xi, \zeta)$  for all  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $\xi, \eta, \zeta \in \mathcal{H}$ . The sesquilinear form is **bounded** if there exists  $C \geq 0$  so that  $|B(\xi, \eta)| \leq C\|\xi\|\|\eta\|$ , for all  $\xi, \eta \in \mathcal{H}$ , and the norm of  $B$ , denoted  $\|B\|$  is defined to be the infimum over all such  $C$ .

Show that if  $B$  is a bounded sesquilinear form then there exists a unique bounded linear map  $A$  such that  $B(\xi, \eta) = \langle A\xi, \eta \rangle$  for all  $\xi, \eta \in \mathcal{H}$ . Moreover, show that  $\|B\| = \|A\|$ .

**Exercise 0.6** (Birkhoff-Rota). Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space and suppose  $\{e_n\}_n$  is an orthonormal basis and  $\{f_n\}_n$  is an orthonormal set such that

$$\sum_n \|e_n - f_n\|^2 < \infty,$$

then  $\{f_n\}_n$  is also an orthonormal basis. Hint: Take  $N$  so that  $\sum_{n>N} \|e_n - f_n\|^2 < 1$  and use Parseval's inequality to show that the span of  $\{e_1, \dots, e_N, f_{N+1}, f_{N+1}, \dots\}$  is dense. Use this to show that if  $\mathcal{K} = \{f_{N+1}, \dots\}^\perp$  then  $\dim \mathcal{K} \leq N$ . Since  $\{f_1, \dots, f_N\} \subset \mathcal{K}$  are orthogonal it then follows that  $\mathcal{K} = \text{sp}\{f_1, \dots, f_N\}$ .